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SRINIVAS S. RAO, et al.

Serial No. 09/760,074

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
VIBRATION CASTING OF VEHICLE
WHEELS

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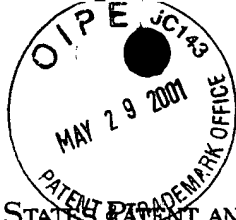
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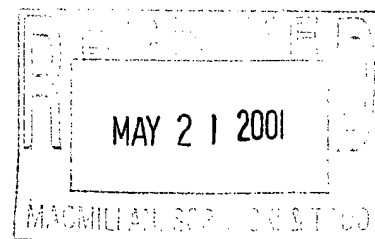
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Title

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I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VIBRATION CASTING OF VEHICLE WHEELS,

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

[X] was filed on January 12, 2001 as U.S. Application Number or PCT International Application Number 09/760,074 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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